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Serial No. 10/710,625 )  
Filed: July 26, 2004 )  
Title: SOCCER GOAL PADDING )

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Respectfully submitted,

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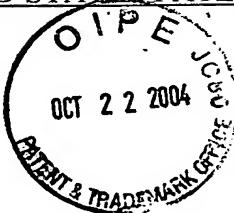
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Dear Sir:

**SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS**

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts" dated September 20, 2004 (copy appended), please find enclosed herewith the following:

1. A Declaration executed by NICHOLAS J. CUSICK;
2. A Power of Attorney;
3. An assignment from the inventor(s) NICHOLAS J. CUSICK to Bison, Inc.;
4. A check in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the recording of such assignment;
5. A Verified Statement claiming small entity status; and
6. A check in the amount of \$878.00 to cover the filing fee and the surcharge in

connection with the late filing of the Declaration.

Should any further fees be required, the Office is authorized to deduct the same from

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## **Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below01 EC-2202

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**The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:**

- Additional claim fees of \$428 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fees, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$878 for a Small Entity

- **\$385** Statutory basic filing fee.
- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$428**

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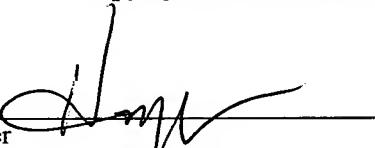
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- \$86 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- \$342 for 38 total claims over 20.

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